

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ELECTIONS

RUTHERFORD COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION

TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2014

Notice is hereby given that a Republican Party Primary Election will be held in polling places in Rutherford County, Tennessee, on Tuesday, May 6, 2014, for the purpose of electing the following offices:

- Rutherford County Mayor (4-year term)
- Rutherford County Trustee (4-year term)
- Rutherford County Sheriff (4-year term)
- Rutherford County Clerk (4-year term)
- Rutherford County Circuit Court Clerk (4-year term)
- Rutherford County Register of Deeds (4-year term)
- Rutherford County Commissioners, Districts 1-21 (4-year term)
- Rutherford County Circuit Court Judges, Divisions 1-4 (8-year term)
- Rutherford County General Sessions Judges, Parts 1-3 (8-year term)
- Rutherford County Chancellor (8-year term)
- Rutherford County Juvenile Court Judge (8-year term)
- Rutherford County District Attorney (8-year term)
- Rutherford County Public Defender (8-year term)

This year, the Rutherford County Democratic Party chose to select their nominees for county offices by the caucus method, rather than holding a county-wide primary. If you are interested in running for a county office in the August election as a Democrat, then you should contact the Rutherford County Democratic Party for further information.

Normal election office business hours are:

Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm

The election office will be closed on the following dates:

Monday, February 17, 2014 (President's Day)

Friday, April 18, 2014 (Good Friday)

Election Day polling place hours are 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. at all open polling locations.

Qualifying deadline is 12:00p.m. (NOON) on Thursday, February 20, 2014. Petitions may be picked up at the Rutherford County Election Office.

Withdrawal deadline for candidates to withdraw is 12:00p.m. (NOON) on Thursday, February 27, 2014. Candidates desiring to withdraw must provide a written request to withdraw signed by the candidate.

The last day to register to vote in person for this election is Monday, April 7, 2014. Individuals may register at the Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Human Services, the Health Department, and the Rutherford County Election Office. By-mail registration forms may be picked up at the Register of Deeds, County Clerk Offices, Public Libraries, Military Recruiting Offices, and the Tennessee Department of Veteran Affairs. By-mail registration forms must be postmarked by Monday, April 7, 2014. If the by-mail registration lacks a postmark, then the form must be signed and dated no later than Sunday, April 7, 2014, and must be received by our office no later than Wednesday, April 9, 2014, at the close of business.

Deadline to change address: Voters who have moved *within* Rutherford County may change their address at the Rutherford County Election office no later than Thursday, May 1, 2014, or they may change their address at the early voting site during the early voting period. However, the sooner the address is changed, the better; voters changing addresses at the polls = longer voting lines.

Electronic voting machine write-in feature: Any person seeking to be elected by write-in ballots must complete a notice requesting such person's ballots be counted no later than fifty (50) days before the date of the election. Such person shall only have write-in ballots counted if such notice was completed and timely filed with the Rutherford County Election Commission Office, 1 South Public Square, Suite 103, Murfreesboro, TN 37130. The last day for write-in candidates to file notice is at 12:00p.m. (NOON) on Monday, March 17, 2014. Forms are available in the Rutherford County Election Commission Office.

Withdrawal deadline for write-in candidates is the close of business (4:30p.m.) on Thursday, May 1, 2014.

Absentee ballots: Persons unable to vote early or who are unable to go to the polls on election day may send a written request for an absentee ballot to the Rutherford County Election Office. First day to request absentee ballot (non-military voters, non-military spouse voters, and non-overseas voters): Wednesday, February 5, 2014. Last day to receive request for absentee ballot: Tuesday, April 29, 2014. However, if you are military, a military spouse, or an overseas voter, you may file and complete a Form 76 (Federal Post Card Application) as early as January 1, 2014; you may also complete and file a Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot; both forms are available at www.fvap.gov.

Absentee ballot request forms are available on our website, or they may be submitted in writing by mail, fax, or e-mail, as long as they contain ALL of the following information:

- Name of registered voter
- Election in which voter wishes to participate
- Voter's residence address
- Reason for voting absentee*
- Voter's social security number
- Signature of voter
- Address to mail ballot outside Rutherford County (if the reason requires it)

VOTED ABSENTEE BALLOTS MUST BE MAILED TO OUR OFFICE—they cannot be hand delivered by the voter or the voter's designee; absentee ballots delivered to the election office by U.S. Mail or other recognized mail carriers on Election Day by the closing of the polls (7:00pm) will be counted.

***Legal Reasons for Voting Absentee Are (Please Choose ONE):**

- I am a caretaker of a hospitalized, ill or disabled person.
- I am a voter with a disability whose polling place is inaccessible.
- I will be serving on jury duty in state or federal court.
- I am sixty (60) years of age or older.

- I am on the permanent absentee voting register.
- I will be serving as an election official or a member or employee of the election commission on election day.
- I cannot appear during the early voting period or at my polling place because I will be observing a religious holiday.
- I will be outside the county in which I am registered during the early voting period and on election day during all hours the polls are open.
- I am enrolled as a full-time student (or I am the spouse of a student) at _____ (list school), which is *inside* Tennessee and *outside* the county where I am registered.
- I am a candidate for office in the election for which I am applying to vote absentee by mail.
- I am hospitalized, ill, or physically disabled and because of such condition, I am unable to appear at my polling place for this election.
- I am a member of the military, or I am a family member to a member of the military, or I am an overseas citizen and otherwise qualified to vote in Tennessee. **Ballot to be sent: By Mail / Electronically (list e-mail address):** _____
- I have a Commercial Drivers License (CDL) (or I am the spouse of a person possessing a CDL), or I have a Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) and will be out of the county during the open hours of early voting and election day, and I have no specific out-of-county or out-of-state address to receive mail during this time. Enclosed is a copy of my CDL or my spouse's CDL or a copy of my TWIC card. **My CDL/TWIC Number (list number):** _____

Any person interested in running for office should contact the Rutherford County Election Commission Office for further information. The Rutherford County Election Office is located at 1 South Public Square, Suite 103, Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37130. Office hours are 8:00a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on holidays. Office telephone number is (615) 898-7743.

The Election Commission does not discriminate on the basis of disability. If there are questions about needed accommodations in the voting process, please call (615) 898-7743.

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